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In re Application of: Michael Castro, et al

Serial No.: 09/815,504 Examiner: Unknown

Filed: March 23 ,2001 Art Unit: 3738

For: **MODULAR IMPLANT FOR FUSING ADJACENT
BONE STRUCTURES**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF APPLICATION-FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the Notice of File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date
Granted, dated May 4, 2001, Applicant(s) encloses herewith a properly executed
original Declaration and Assignment in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.63. Please
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along with a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application – Filing Date
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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 20 Sept 2001

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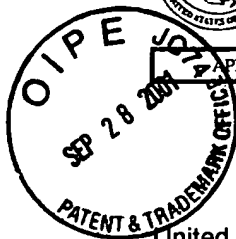
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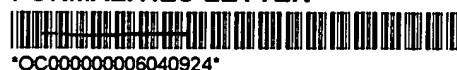


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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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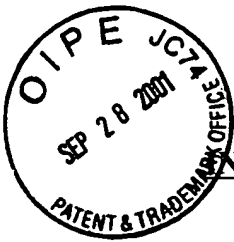
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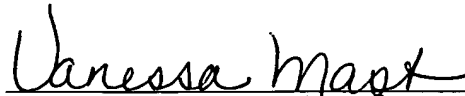
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